

clearly indicated. The recommendation will also include a statement that the individual is not employed by the Army, or was not so employed during the period in which the services to be recognized were rendered. A proposed citation will be inclosed.

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§ 578.17b Outstanding Civilian Service Medal.

(a) *Criteria.* The Outstanding Civilian Service Medal established by the Secretary of the Army in DA General Orders No. 3, 1960, is awarded to private citizens, Federal Government officials at the policy development level, and technical personnel who serve the Army in an advisory capacity or as consultants. Award is made by the Secretary of the Army, or by major commanders on behalf of the Secretary of the Army when the contribution is of significance to or within the major command concerned only.

(b) *Recommendations.* Same as § 578.17a(c).

(c) *Description.* Outstanding Civilian Service Medal, Department of the Army, is bronze, 1¼ inches in diameter. The central design of the obverse of the medal incorporates a disc with a wreath on the lower half of the rim denoting nonmilitary service. The equilateral triangle is symbolic of the civilian. Displayed on the triangle is the eagle from the Great Seal of the United States. The reverse of the medal is inscribed "Awarded to _____ for Outstanding Civilian Service to the United States Army." The medal is suspended from a ribbon 1¾ inches wide consisting of thirteen alternating stripes equally spaced, seven white and six red, with a blue stripe ¼ inch wide centered on each white stripe. A rosette ½ inch in diameter consisting of a gathered red center on a white background with a narrow blue stripe, the rim composed of alternating red and white vertical stripes with a narrow blue stripe centered on the white, is included for wear on civilian clothing.

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§ 578.18 Appurtenances to military decorations.

(a) *Oak-Leaf Cluster.* A bronze (or silver) twig of four oak leaves with three acorns on the stem, 1⅜ inch in length for a suspension ribbon and ⅝ inch in length for a service ribbon is issued in lieu of a decoration for the second or succeeding awards of United States military decorations with the exception that Oak-Leaf Clusters will not be placed on a posthumous award of the Purple Heart. Oak-Leaf Clusters are not issued for the Legion of Merit of the Medal of Freedom awarded in degrees to foreign nationals. Oak-Leaf Clusters are worn attached to the ribbons of the decorations to which they pertain with the stem of the oak leaves toward the wearer's right. A silver Oak-Leaf Cluster may be worn in lieu of five bronze Oak-Leaf Clusters for the same decoration. In lieu of an Oak-Leaf Cluster a gold compass rose is issued to denote the second or succeeding awards of the National Security Medal.

(b) *Letter "V" Device.* See § 578.11 (b).

(c) *Palm.* See § 578.17(b).

(d) *Service ribbon.* A ribbon identical in color with the suspension ribbon of the decoration it represents attached to a bar ⅜ inch in width (vertical dimension) and 1⅜ inches in length, equipped with a suitable attaching device. A service ribbon is issued with each decoration except the National Security Medal which is provided with an extra length of ribbon for the recipient's use. Service ribbons will not be impregnated with unnatural preservatives nor worn with protective coverings.

(e) *Lapel button.* A lapel button ⅛ inch in length and 2⅛ inch in width is a colored enamel replica of the respective service ribbon. An enamel lapel button is issued with each decoration except the Medal of Honor and Medal for Merit.

(f) *Rosette.* See §§ 578.4(b), 578.15 (b), and 578.17a(b).

(g) *Container.* A container, either plastic or leather covered, and plushlined, containing a decoration, service ribbon, and lapel button or rosette. Each decoration awarded will be furnished in an appropriate container.

(h) *Miniatures.* Miniature decorations and appurtenances are replicas of the

corresponding decorations and appurtenances on the scale of one-half. With the exception of the National Security Medal (§578.16), miniatures are not presented or sold by the Army but may be purchased from civilian dealers. There is no miniature of the Medal of Honor or the Legion of Merit, degree of Commander.

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§578.19 Foreign individual awards.

(a) *Constitutional restriction.* No person holding any office of profit or trust under the United States shall, without the consent of the Congress, accept any present, emolument, office, or title of any kind whatsoever from any king, prince, or foreign state. (Const., Art I, Sec. 9.) This includes decorations, awards, and gifts tendered by any official of a foreign government.

(b) *Definitions.* (1) *Accept* or *Acceptance* as used in this section means assumption of ownership and permanent possession of a military award or similar object awarded by a foreign government or official for which congressional approval has been granted.

(2) *Receive* or *Receipt* as used in this section means the act of coming into temporary custody of a military award or similar object awarded by a foreign government or official for which congressional approval is required.

(c) *General policy.* The provisions for receipt and/or acceptance, or prohibition thereof, outlined in this section apply to all members of the Armed Forces on active duty, all members of the Reserve components, and all civilian employees of the Army. This policy should be observed also when the award or gift is tendered to a member of the immediate family of any of the foregoing personnel.

(d) *Participation in ceremonies.* Except as prohibited by paragraph (h) of this section, an individual may participate in a ceremony and receive the tender of a foreign award or gift. The receipt of the award or gift will not constitute acceptance of the award by the recipient. Immediately following the ceremony, the individual will forward the award or gift with all appurtenances thereto, and all official papers including diploma and citation, to The Adjutant General.

A brief statement should accompany the award explaining the act or service for which the award was made, date and place of presentation, and name and title of official who made the presentation.

(e) *Congressional authorization.* Except for such awards as may be specifically authorized by the Congress. The Adjutant General will forward each foreign award or gift to the Secretary of State to be held in escrow pending approval of its acceptance by the Congress. Each military and civilian recipient of foreign awards, upon discharge or permanent retirement or other permanent separation from active Federal service, should notify The Adjutant General in order that action may be taken with reference to his award or gifts. The Secretary of State is required by law to transmit the names of retired personnel to the second session of each alternate Congress (5 U.S.C. 115a). Upon approval by the Congress, the award or gift will be forwarded to the individual concerned.

(f) *Acceptance of foreign awards.* An award by a friendly foreign nation may be accepted without the requirement for securing approval by the Congress only as indicated below:

(1) By the next of kin if the award is conferred posthumously upon a former member of the Armed Forces of the United States.

(2) By the next of kin if the recipient dies before approval of acceptance can be obtained.

(3) If the award was conferred or earned while the recipient was serving as a bona fide member of the Armed Forces of the nation conferring the award and if the award is one authorized to be conferred generally upon members of that nation's forces. Such foreign awards must meet the following applicable requirements:

(i) A decoration must be awarded prior to the recipient's entrance into active service in the Armed Forces of the United States.

(ii) A badge must have been qualified for by the recipient under criteria established by the country concerned for award of the badge.

(iii) A service medal must have been earned under usual criteria established by the country concerned.